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C. G. ELDER.



Correspondence Column

A Puzzle Prize.

Dear Editor,—As I was reading over hast week's puzzle department to mother I read. The orthe for the first correct answer to the puzzles was awarded to deannotte Freeman. It took me quite a few seconds to realize it all, because it came upen me so suddenly. I have not received my prize yet, but I expect by the time this letter reactery ou my prize will have come. I am sending you some more author nurzles and some more author nurzles and some more to the puzzle published in the T. to the puzzle published in the T. to the puzzle published in the T. to the puzzle published in the E. to the puzzle published in the E. to the puzzle published in the E. to the puzzle published in the Country of the puzzle puzzle published in the Country of the C

Enjoyed "Ambillous Alice."

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Dear Editor.—I was very glad to see my story in Sunday's paper. William Pullens story in Sunday's paper. William Pullens story certainty was fine, and also Rebecca Cooper's. I was in Orange a few weeks ago and had my medal faced white there. Every one thinks it is so pretty. I certainly did enley the story in last Sunday's insyating ender the story in last Sunday's insyating character like it soon. Must clost, as my letter is getting long. Your member.

EACUISE WALKER. Barboursville, Va.

Contributes Serial Story.

Dear Editor.—I have just finished writing a little story and I am going to rend it to the page. It is too long to send all at once, so I shail divide it into two parts. I sincerely hope that you will publish it. I think Curris Elder draws fine, also Emma Chaulwick, Willie Chadwick's story entitled 'liesiste Farret's Courin' was very interesting. I hope he will favor us with another one real soon. Your loving member.

DOROTHY SMITH.

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MARY R. CATLETT.

One of Our Graduates.

Dear Editor.—Here I am again, and I do help you haven't forgotten that I am a monaidered the T. D. C. C. I result a sunday. And isn't Curtis Eider shoel inst Sunday. And isn't Sunday. And isn't Sunday. And isn't Curtis Eider shoel inst Sunday. And isn't Sunda

## WHAT BETTY FOUND.

CHAPTER I.

"Oh, dear," sighed Betty, as she gazed despairingly at the tiny drops of rain that pattered gently against the window pane; "such a horid day it is; all my pleasure is spolled now, too. And I just can't get interested in the piece of fancy work," she added as she flung the centrepiece violently in a corner.

"Betty!" exclaimed a voice, "what alls you child? Tell me what is the trouble."

sew a little."
"Sew!" burst forth from her niece.
"Sew!" who wants to sew? I have been
trying to do that for the last hour,
and it's worse than going to a fu-

neral!"
"Child, don't raise your voice so. Fray caim yourself, or you will care every one in the hotel looking at ua."
"I don't care." put in Betty, and she nuclered her rosy lips into a charming

nuctioned her rosy lips into a charming pout.

"Perhaps an interesting book would occupy your mind then," said Auntic, after a clight pause. "I have a very good one in my room. It is on the mantle if you care to go and get it."

"Well," decided lictity, "maybe it will help a little. I will go and get it right away."

A few moments later she atood before a door in one of the long corridors, with her hand resting lightly on the knob.





# Editorial And Literary Department

THE WEEK'S PHIZE WINNERS.

Miss Thelms Tignor, R. F. D. 2, Ashland, Va.

Miss Heles Broadrup, Lorraine, Va.

Miss Wille B. Chadwick, care William

Chadwick, National Soldiers' Home,

Hampton, Va.

woman's audacity. She must have been in her dotage, for she picked out the pew of the richest and proudest member of the church and took a seat. The ladies who were seated there beschoned to the sexton, who went over to the intruder and whispered somethins, but apparently she was hard of hearing, for she replied; "Oh, I'm quite comfortable here."
"But you are not wanted," the sexton replied. "And, besides, there is not room."

"Not room!" she replied. "Why, I'm not crowded a bit. I rede ten miles to hear the sermon to-day, because..." But here she was roughly pulled by

"Betty!" exclaimed a voice, "what alls you child? Tell me what is the trouble."

"Oh, Auntie," cried Betty, "I feel miscrable. Here I am shut up in this stupid hotel with nothing to do, and the rain coming down in torrents outside, I was looking forward to such a good time to-day, as Elsie Manning was to have a party." Here she flopped down on a stool and buried her rice in her arms.

"Well, my dear," said Auntie Cerrol, soothingly, "I know it is rather aggretating by the said will happen. Now, why don't you try to sew a little,"
"Sew!" burst forth from her also."

"We have a party because..."
"What is the matter with the woman had turned around and addressed them: "I hope there'll be room in heaven.

"The handsome preacher had his hand on the Biole when suddenly he leaned on t

front pew of all.
"Who was she?" asked one of the ladies who could not make room for her as they passed the sexton at the

or.
"The prescher's mother," was the ply,
t. H. WHYTE,
211 West Clay Street, City. reply

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## THE HALFBREED.

your daughter."
John Elderdice, sitting on the front veranda of his residence, glanced up at the speaker. For a moment he was taken back by the boldness of the young man before him He was a half-breed—Indian and American mixed—of about thirty years of age, strong and muscular, with close ellipped black hair and fearless black eyes, whose steady gaze met that of the multimillionaire.

"I don't think I know you," replied Elderdice, "May I see you." "I haven't one with me," came the answer, "but I am Corporal Clement Legal, Troop E, Twelfth Cavairy, Ask any of the boys over there—waving his hand toward the distant army post. They all know me."

"I don't think you know who I am, oung man," said Elderdice. "I am ohn Elderdice, the mining king. I idn't know my daughter was ac-

John Elderdice, the mining king. I didn't know my daughter was acquainted with you."

"You don't know everything," was the complacent reply. We got acquainted at a ball game and we've met quite often on our visits from town to the post. But you haven't answered my question yet."

Elderdice was angry now. "No; and I don't intend to in the way you expect me to, Let my daughter marry a haifbreed from the ranks, who only wants to get his nippers on her father's money! Not by a long shot, young

wants to get his nippers on her father's money! Not by a long shot, young man. And if you even think of it again you had better not let the thought get any farther than your forchead. There's the gate!"

For a moment Legal looked at him. Then he said: "John Elderdice, just because You have money is no reserve.

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separated from my brother and put on a train.

PART II.

When the train stopped a man got me and put me in a safe. In the safe I became acquainted with large and small pieces of copper, silver and gold. A little piece of gold became my best friend. He told me that I was a one-cent piece and he a gold dollar.

One night just after 1 o'clock 1 heard a noise. I asked my friend, Mr. Gold Dollar, what It was, but he did not know. Very soon I heard a hissing noise, and then came the explosion. I told Mr. Gold Dollar that the noise was dynamite. The first thing I knew I and my friends were in the bag of the burglar. Soon we were on the train again. When the train stopped the man got off, only to board a bout. As the man was getting off the boat he was caught and taken to jail by two men in blue coats. I heard a man say that I was in Mexico.

PART III.

We were put in another bank. One

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We were put in another bank. One day a man came and got us and sent us back to the United States. When we got there we were put in a bank.

One day I was on the cashier's desk, as usual, when a little man came and got me. That day I saw Mr. Gold Dollar for the last time. The man that took me was very rich. One day he bourded a hired boat and started for Cuba. I was in his pocket one day when the captain of the ship and sume of the men came in his stateroom and PART III. of the men came in his stateroom and shot him. After they had gotten his money they threw him overboat. The captain did not leave a cent un-touched.

PART IV.

In a few hours the ship stopped at a port. The captain and his crew started for a saloon. As there was a hole in the captain's pocket I fell out. I stayed where I fell for a week, when one day a little boy found me. He took me to a store and put me in a chewing gum slot. The slot owner gave me to his little boy to take to Sunday school. The following Sunday was the first I ever spent in church. When the plate was passed I was put in. A churchman gave me to a l'ttle PART IV. in. A churchman gave me to a l'ttle poor girl. This little girl is now my proud owner. I think that even copper penny can do some good. CARR PAYNE. 1106 Nineteenth Avenue, South, Nash

## NEY IN THE ROUT.

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Puzzle Department

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ROBERT E. GOLDEN, JR.

Author Puzzles.

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The answer in each case is the same of a well-known author.

1. Value of a word.

2. A worker in preclous metals.

3. A vital part of the body.

4. A small task and a heavy weight.

5. A prefix and a disease.

6. Comes from a pig.

7. A sick place of worship.

8. Disagrecable to have on one's toc.

9. A mean dog 'tis.

10. Au official dreaded by the students of English universities.

11. A manufactured metal.

12. Meat! What are you doing?

JEANNETTE FREEMAN.

Cotman, Va.

Figure Pursic.

Add 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and get the nawer 9999. Written by MARGARET PROCTOR.

Drakes Branch, Va.

ANSWERS.

Answer to the flower puzzle:

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1. Sundower.
2. Cowslip.
3. Daisy.
Answer to the geographical puzzle:
Once there was a little boy by the
name of Charles or Henry, rode on a
mule that stumbled over a piece of
Deadwood. The little boy fell off and
broke his leg and was taken to a
hospital. A little girl friend by the
name of Charlette went to see him
and took with her a basket containing
Concord and Catawba grapes. Orange.
Raisin, and a book, the life of Lincoln,
which he enjoyed very much.
Answer to figure puzzle: 11111.
Answer to girls' names in figures:
1. Ruth.
2. Oliva.
3. Thelma.

4. Louisid. 5. Madelma.

Cotman, Va.

Answer to flower puzzle, by Margue te Broadup: 1. Sunflower.

2. Cowslip. 2. Cowslip.
2. Dalsy.
To geographical puzzle:
Once there was a little boy by the name of Henry, rode on a mule that stumbled over a piece of lead. The little boy fell off and broke his leg and was taken to the hospital. A little girl friend by the name of Charlotte went to see him, and took with her a basket containing grapes, raisins and a book, "The Life of Lincoln," which he enjoyed very much.
To figure puzzle: 11,000, eleven thousand, eleven (1100) hundred, eleven (11).
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MARGARET BROADRUP.

Lorraine, Va.







WILSON TURNER.



LYRA V. RANSON.



RELEN TIGNOR,







1., ROSELIA BENNETT.



THELMA TIGNOR.



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